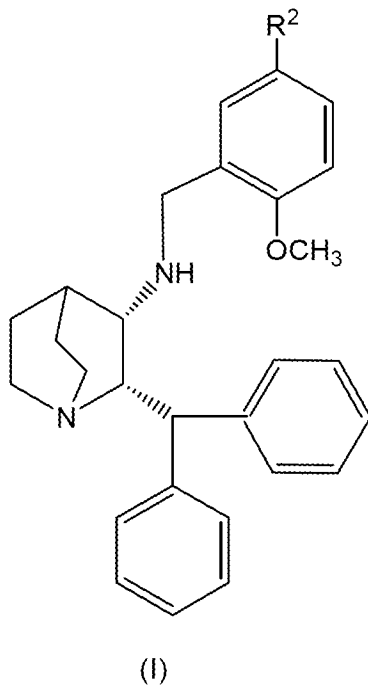


AMENDED CLAIMS

1-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) A method of improving anesthesia recovery comprising the step of administering to an animal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition of a NK-1 receptor antagonist; where said NK-1 receptor antagonist is a compound of Formula I



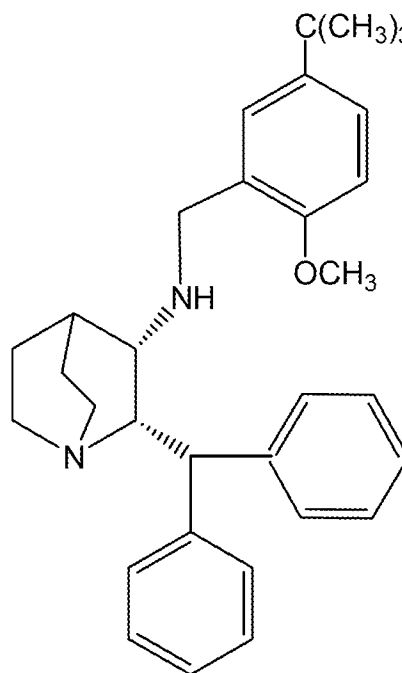
where R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, sec-butyl, and tert-butyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof;
~~a prodrug of said compound or said salt, or a solvate or hydrate of said compound, said salt or said prodrug.~~

12. (Withdrawn)

13. (Currently amended) The method according to Claim 11 where said improving anesthesia recovery comprises reducing
~~A method of using an NK-1 receptor antagonist; a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; a prodrug of said compound or said salt, or a solvate or hydrate of said compound, said salt or said prodrug, for improving the quality of anesthetic recovery by reducing excessive vocalization and/or purposeless movement.~~

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim ~~14~~ 13 wherein said NK-1 receptor antagonist is a compound comprises of Formula Ia,



(Ia)

~~(2S,3S)-2-benzhydryl-N-(5-tert-butyl-2-methoxybenzyl)quinuclidin-3-amine~~, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

16. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim 15 wherein said compound is the citrate salt of the compound of Formula Ia.

17. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim ~~12~~ 11 wherein said composition is parenterally, ~~enterally~~, or orally administered prior, during or after administration of general anesthesia.

18. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim 17 wherein said composition is administered parenterally.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to claim 18 wherein the amount of the NK-1 antagonist is 0.01 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg of a an ~~patient's~~ animal's body weight.

21. (Cancelled)

22-24. (Withdrawn)

25. (New) The method according to claim 20 wherein said animal is a companion, food-source, or zoo animal.